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## AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the communication from the Examiner dated 12/19/2001, please amend the application identified above as follows.

In the Claims

Please amend the following claims by deleting the language which is enclosed in brackets "[ ]" and inserting the language which is underlined "\_\_\_\_\_".

- Sub B, 1. (Once Amended) A weed extraction apparatus comprising:
- A handle of a linearly elongated cylindrical configuration, having an anterior end opposite a posterior end;
- a pair of movable claw appendages;
- a linearly elongated lever pivotally mounted to said anterior end by a bolt, said bolt also serving as a fulcrum for said pair of movable claw appendages;
- an operating rod of a linear, rod-like configuration which extends parallel along a linear length of the handle and connects to [the] a movable linkage arm pivotally mounted near the posterior end of the handle;
- a spring disposed on said bolt and adapted so as to connectively embrace said lever in such a manner whereby said lever is biased to a position extending away from said anterior end of said handle;

